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## EASTER



#### AN EXPLANATION.

HIS LITTLE SON.—Papa, what is retrenchment?

THE CONGRESSMAN.—Retrenchment, my boy, consists chiefly in abolishing offices filled by members of the opposite party.

#### FORTUNE SMILED.

"They say there was an enthusiastic demonstration in Madrid, yesterday."

"What was the occasion for it?"

"There was a rumor that the Treasury officials had counted their money and found eleven dollars more than they expected."

#### WHEN IT AFFECTED HIM.

"They say Professor Pole, the Arctic explorer, never complained of cold but once during the entire trip."

"When was that?"

"Once, during a poker game, he got cold feet."



#### OUTSHARPING A SHARPER.

MR. HARDACRE (*proudly*).—Say, Rube! I was down in teown yis-tiddy an' I doné one o' them bunker-steerer fellers out'n fifty dollars.

KEUBEN (*in admiration*).—Yeou did?

MR. HARDACRE.—Yes. I had a hundred dollars in my clothes and he only got fifty of it.

#### WINDY CITY POLITICS.



CHICAGO POLITICIAN.—Well, anything new in the political complexion of the 'Steenth Ward?

ANOTHER CHICAGO POLITICIAN.—Yes; the ward 's lost to us.

CHICAGO POLITICIAN.—It is! Why, how does that happen?

ANOTHER CHICAGO POLITICIAN.—The voter that lived in that ward has sold his farm and moved away.

#### A CHANCE TO EXPLAIN.

WILLY.—Why is Uncle Sam always pictured with such long legs?

PAPA.—I don't know. Perhaps the pension agents could tell you.

#### HER INTERPRETATION.

"Heavens!" shrieked the heroine; "I am undone!"

"Come away, Si!" audibly remarked the old lady in the audience, as she arose; "I ain't a-goin' ter watch any disrobin' acts!"

A GREAT MANY people who will not go to the Klondike have wasted a lot of time thinking about what might happen if they did.



#### A COMPLIMENT?

MR. D'AUBER (*loftily*).—No, Miss Budd, I don't paint pictures to sell; I merely paint for amusement.

MISS BUDD (*enthusiastically*).—Oh! Mr. d'Auber I always did think your pictures were awfully amusing!

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I.  
COME FATHERS, brothers, kinsmen all,  
Who fear no gallants gay,  
Who fear no gallants young or bold,  
And mark me what I say:  
For, lo! I will a secret tell  
May well your hearing win,  
A secret secret, secret kept  
About our lovely kin.

III.  
Perhaps they wait to say adieu,  
A moment and no more,  
And yet a moment has sufficed  
For kissing at the door,  
When modestly they trip away,  
And modest back repair,  
No sage would know, no sage would guess  
They'd kissed upon the stair.



II.  
You see them shy, reserved and grave,  
Ingenuous and demure:  
And well you judge no lover might  
Their cold defense endure;  
You know them well, and very well,  
As decorous as they're fair:  
And yet there's none may tell how oft  
They've kissed upon the stair.

IV.  
You hear them in the garden walks  
Where roses twine and bind;  
Between the picking of the flowers  
They've kissed while you were blind.  
They call to you, they come to you,  
As you were all their care,  
And in the closing of a door  
They kiss upon the stair.

V.  
Old Argus with his hundred eyes  
Might wake and watch and 'ware  
And see no sign, and yet and yet  
They'd kiss upon the stair.  
O brothers! blind and purblind all,  
Take rede as I declare:  
Life's short and drear, but love is dear:  
Then kiss upon the stair.

Williston Fish.



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#### TO VOICE THE COMMON THOUGHT.

LEADER OF CHOIR.—Now, for Easter, I should like to have at least one song in which the congregation might join. Can you not suggest one?  
ORGANIST.—Yes; "Where Did You Get That Hat?"

#### EXPLAINED.

WAVOUT.—That was a great speech Lotts made at the town hall for better roads, was n't it?  
YOUNGSUB.—Yes; but I never knew he rode a wheel.  
WAVOUT.—Neither he does; but his cook is a great bicycle enthusiast.

#### A CASE OF NECESSITY.

WIFE.—Jack, dear, I have just come from the dressmaker's, and I think you had better pay her something on account.  
HUSBAND.—I don't see how I can very well.  
WIFE.—But I want to get a new gown.

#### THE AGE OF FADS.

MERRITT.—That charitable society you belong to must be in a flourishing condition after receiving that big benefit.  
MISS DORCAS.—Yes, indeed! It put just enough money in the treasury to pay for the printing of our annual report.

#### HE KNEW THE WEAK POINT.

REAL ESTATE BROKER.—You would n't touch an apartment house, eh? What's the objection?  
INVESTOR.—I'm a janitor.

A CLOSE EXAMINATION of the elements of success discovers a great many things that we had heretofore failed to find worthy of consideration.

HOW A MAN'S soul expands as he sits in the front parlor on Sunday, and thinks how small the man across the way must feel when he compares himself with some of his neighbors!

#### THE QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED.

PRUYN.—What sort of a man should a fellow be to succeed in the Klondike?  
DR. BOLUS.—Well, I've never been there; but from all I hear, I should say that a cross between Dr. Tanner and a polar bear would get along very nicely.

#### A GOOD INDICATION.

JUNIOR PARTNER.—Do you think the new office-boy is trustworthy?  
SENIOR PARTNER.—I'm sure of it. I've noticed that when he has n't anything to do he never pretends to be busy.



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#### A PERT QUESTION.

WILLY PECK.—Say, Popper, Tommy Strongwill's father asked me a funny question the other day.  
MR. HENRY PECK.—Did he, my son? What was it?  
WILLY PECK.—He asked me what your name was before you were married.

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#### DURING THE CONTROVERSY.

WHEELER.—I should think you'd have some horse sense.  
JONES.—What do you mean by horse sense?  
WHEELER.—Sense enough to ride a wheel instead of a horse!

#### A COUNTRY CHRONOMETER.

DURING the heat of a lively campaign, a politician, who was making an energetic personal canvass of his constituency, was driving along a road one morning, when, for some reason, he tried to decide what day of the month it was. Like many another busy man, he had been letting time slip by unnoted; and, when he tried to get his bearings, he found that he was even somewhat hazy about the day of the week. Presently, he came to where a farmer was working in a field near the road, and, hailing him, he inquired: "I say, friend, can you tell me what day of the month it is?"

The farmer pondered a few moments, and then replied.

"I don't know as I exactly can. You see, I stopped taking our local paper when it sold itself to the gold-bugs; and, as the weather has been pretty fair lately, I hain't had no call to look in the almanac, so I have kind of lost track of things. But, say, I'll tell you what to do. Drive along to the next field, and you'll find my hired man there. It ain't likely he'll know the date, but his next pay-day is on the last day of this month, and he'll tell you in a jiffy how many days it is till then, and you can figure back. Besides, he'll tell you how many days' work he has to do till Sunday; and, if you want to know the time of day, he'll tell you how many hours it is till dinner-time; and,

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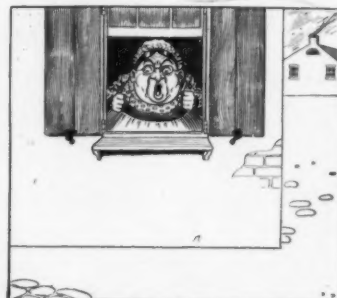
#### A CHAIN OF EVENTS.



MRS. MOFFIT.—I'll just leave my work-basket here while I go look after my bread. No one will take it, I am sure.



FRAVED LIFTER.—Say, everyting is grist dat comes 't my mill! There's ten beers in dis, sure.



MRS. MOFFIT.—Well, well, well! If some mean sneak-thief has n't run off with my basket! I'll fix the next one.



FRAVED LIFTER 'passing that way next day'.—Well, I never in all my life struck such an easy shop. Dev appears to want ter lose t'ings. I'll just grab dat watch an' chain an' fly.



"Dat 's de heaviest watch an' chain I ever swiped."



MRS. MOFFIT.—That's right. Snapper! Hold him while I ring the police alarm.



"I'll never be bothered by that fellow again, I know!"

as we dine at twelve sharp, you can figure that back, too. Yes, sir; I think that will be the best scheme for you to get your bearings."

#### EFFECTIVE COUNTERFEITING.

FIRST ICE MAGNATE (*excitedly*).—I hear that a cheap substitute for ice has been invented.

SECOND ICE MAGNATE.—You don't say so!

FIRST ICE MAGNATE.—I don't know how much there may be in it, but the projectors claim it will leave a wet spot on a back doorstep exactly like that left by a chunk of ice, melting, and at half the cost.

#### SOON REMEDIED.

MR. SUBB SIZZERS.—This article on "Milk" is too long.

MR. BLUELINES.—All right. Have it condensed.

#### THE SINE QUA NON.

MISS HAUTONG.—Oh! she *must* be in society! She gave a great many entertainments last season.

MRS. HAUTONG.—U'm—er, yes; but do you happen to know if any of them were functions?



#### HE SYMPATHIZED.

"Of course," observed the thin wheelman, "water won't run up hill."

"Well," replied the fat wheelman, who was still puffing and blowing, "I don't blame it."

#### THE REAL QUESTION.

"I am true blue," she murmured, nestling upon his bosom.

He softly sighed.

"Is she true pink?" he asked himself, gazing raptly into her complexion.

SPEAKING OF the big salaries paid to ministers, the time seems to be at hand when the devil may be annihilated at less inconvenience to himself than to his professional foes.

NEARLY EVERY man believes that if some other career had opened for him at the right time he would have become famous.

WHEN A WOMAN takes you into her confidence, don't allow yourself to be too much taken in.

QUITE A good many self-made men, certainly, are stout; it may be they don't know when to stop.

#### GENEROUS.

She tries to hide her em bon Point, but lackaday! Her proportions are so generous They give themselves away.



"HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL ON A DOLLAR A DAY."

BY OUR OWN COMPLEXION SPECIALIST.



AGGIE MURPHY.—Probably your duties in the kitchen may cause the undue flush upon your face of which you complain. Try copal varnish or enamel, either of which will hide the blemishes incident to the manipulation of the culinary utensils and various other features of the domestic economy. If neither of the articles suggested are obtainable, mix equal quantities of burnt cork and vaseline in the morning, washing off at night. If possible, have the woman of the house do the cooking.

MAMIE SWEETS.—I do not see how acne could arise from digestional derangement, as you say you eat nothing for lunch but two ice-cream sodas, a few strawberry tarts, and a half pound of chocolate caramels. You need rest and rich food. I would advise you to stop your stenography for a month or two and build up on Frankfurters and corn beef.

HOLLAND DAME.—You say you "have a new wrinkle," but neglect to say in what line. If practical, you may be able to utilize it later on.

SAD SADIE.—A good depilatory may be made at home, as follows:

Sulphuric Acid .....	One pint.
Nitro-Glycerine .....	Four ounces.
Turpentine .....	One drachm.
Rose Water .....	Quantum Suff.

ANXIOUS.—It is hard to set fixed rules regarding baths, as the frequency of ablutions vary according to geographical location. If you visit Chicago, about six baths daily would be about right. Natives of Arkansas



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TWO CASES OF POVERTY.

MARIE.—Is n't that Jack Noplunks talking to Lord Naryared?

DAISY.—Yes. Poor Jack! He's in love, but can't afford to marry.

MARIE.—And Lord Naryared is not in love but can't afford to remain single.

bathe every time it rains. The temperature of the bath should be adapted to the temperament. Thin-skinned people should avoid getting in hot water.

A. J.—You say you "have had trouble with warts," but fail to state the nature of the difficulty. Without knowing the merits of the case, I scarcely feel justified in taking sides.

"SWEET SIXTEEN."—You ask, "What is the best thing for the lips?" It is hardly necessary to take valuable space to answer so foolish a question. "Sweet Sixteen" ought to know without asking.

"YOUNG MAN."—You complain of premature baldness, and say you want something in the hair-raising line. Have you ever tried "The Midnight Shriek; or, The Ghost of the Glen," "The Haunted Churchyard; or, The Mystery of the Morgue?" If a course of these should have no effect, you might try the famous "Indian Treatment for the Scalp."

CONSIDERED HOPELESS.

SAM.—Oh, yes! I t'ink de Professor am one ob de mos' intelleckshal cullud men in de country, but his idees am not practical.

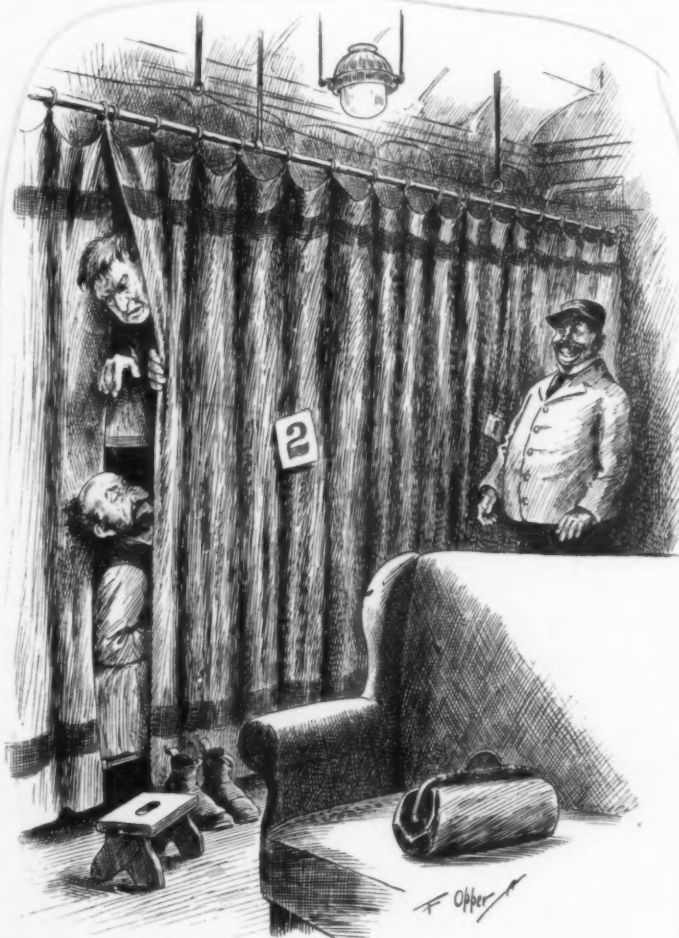
PETE.—Why not?

SAM.—Why, he am tryin' to improve de condition ob de cullud race by gittin' 'em to gib up policy playin'!

DIPLOMACY is making another man believe that you believe that he believes what you say when you know he does n't.



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COULD N'T DO IT.

TRAVELER (in upper berth, angrily).—Here, you! in that lower berth! Why don't you stop snoring and sleep like a Christian?

OCCUPANT OF LOWER BERTH (sleepily).—Pegause I cind't puildt dot vay.

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## DOROTHY'S NEW SPRING HAT



Oh! now I admire the new Spring hat  
That Dorothy shows to me!  
I don't know whether it's round or flat,  
Or trimmed as it ought to be;  
And I can not tell if it's *à la mode*,  
The angle she wears it at;  
But my heart-felt praises have been bestowed  
On Dorothy's new Spring hat.

I only know that the ribbons and lace  
And flowers that nod and bend —  
Make a pretty frame for a pretty face,  
And there my opinions end.  
But, after a season of gruesome things,  
I'd be as blind as a bat  
If I failed to see why my fancy clings  
To Dorothy's new Spring hat.

Farewell to the corpse of the gay macaw,  
The stuffed birds of Paradise,  
The prostrate pheasant with rigid claw,  
The owl with its glassy eyes;  
The blackbirds' bodies all stuck in a row,  
The oriole pinioned flat! —  
And welcome, thrice welcome the blossoms that blow  
On Dorothy's new Spring hat!

Ella Randall Pearce.

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### REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR. (Verbatim.)

**W**HEN a girl blushes she — By Jove! There's that kid crying again!  
Every married woman thinks — By the way, Maria, did you sew on those buttons?  
When you see a widow — Johnny, put away that drum, this minute!  
When a woman tells her husband — George, if you don't keep quiet you'll have to go to bed.  
Dress is to a woman what — Serves you right, Willy. It's a wonder you did n't break your neck.  
Bright eyes and rosy cheeks — Great Scott! A man might as well try to write in a boiler factory!

### COMMENT.

MAUD. — Cholly has n't been quite himself, of late.  
ROSE. — No? I had n't noticed any improvement.

### AN INDICATION.

SHE. — Has he distinguished himself in any way?  
HE. — I judge from his *distinguished* air that he has not.

### IN HARLEM.

VISITOR. — He's a bright little fellow. He can tell time, can't he?  
PAPA (*proudly*). — Yes; and he can read the gas meter.

PERHAPS THE best we can hope is that when we make fools of ourselves we shall not do it too conspicuously.

### DIVERSE METHODS.

"Every man has an ideal woman that he never mentions to his wife."  
"Yes; and every woman has an ideal man that she is everlastingly bragging up to her husband."

### A DEFINITION.

"What do you understand by moral support?"  
"Putting up a bluff that you'll fight if your friends don't get what they want, and then concluding to let them paddle their own canoe."

### HARD.

CRITIC. — There is too much life in your play.

PLAYWRIGHT (*in surprise*). — Too much life! Why, what do you mean?

CRITIC. — You should make about half the characters die in the first act.

### IN THE STREET-CAR.

See the tired girl, standing up in the street-car!

Is it not an outrage?

It is an outrage.

Can not the tired girl do something to make standing easier for herself.

Oh, yes! the tired girl can do something to make standing easier for herself. She can rest her weight first on one foot, then on another, then on a third, and so forth.

### A MODEL.

"She makes a good wife, does n't she?"

"Yes. She has n't been inside of a club since they were married."

SATIRE IS like a mustard-plaster; — we don't feel the sting until we apply it to ourselves.



### AN UNDERHANDED THRUST.

MR. PORKINGTON (*reading newspaper*). — That's a darned mean spirit to show!

MR. RIVERSIDE. — What is?

MR. PORKINGTON. — Why, this New York sheet has printed a despatch from Chicago under the head of suburban news!

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# RIVALS OF KLONDIKE.

THE FOLLOWING dispatches in the daily newspapers show conclusively that it is not necessary to go all the way to the Klondike, and suffer the privations inseparable from life in Alaska, in order to dig gold:

BURR, Mich.—The discovery of gold on the farm of Edward Plane, two miles from here, is causing great excitement. The yield is richer than that of the Klondike, and miners are flocking here from every direction.

OSHKOSH, Wis.—While hunting for sassafras bark in the woods near here, a man named Swipem found a large nugget of gold. When taken to a jeweler's in this place, it was found to be almost pure, and to be worth \$879. He refused an offer of 56 cents cash for it. The man who owns the woods had been trying to sell them for \$10 an acre, but now he holds his tract at \$1,000,000 for ten acres.

TURKEY RUN, Md.—Earnest gold hunters have been at work here for a month; and, although they have found no gold as yet, they are sure that their search will be crowned with success, for a clairvoyant told one of them that gold was hidden near.

HACKER'S CREEK, W. Va.—A genuine gold fever prevails in this neighborhood. An Indian tradition points to the presence of gold in this part of the country, and last week a sportsman shot a wild turkey in whose crop was found a nugget of gold weighing a quarter of an ounce. The bed of the creek is being systematically searched for the mother lode, and the searchers are confident of finding it.

COON'S MILLS, Va.—Several pieces of virgin gold have been picked up in this neighborhood in the last year or two. The search for the deposits, made by an agent of a New York syndicate, has been prosecuted vigorously of late, and encouraging indications have been found. One nugget found last week filled a two-mule cart, and it had to be blasted apart to get it into pieces small enough to send to New York for analysis. One of these pieces, weighing 2 pounds 9 ounces, contained \$5,600 worth of gold. A Klondiker, who is here, says the gold is better than that of Alaska. Shares in the development company are selling at \$2,350 each, and very few offered under \$3,000.

William Henry Siviter.



## SHE SYMPATHIZES.

THE MINISTER (over his unfinished sermon):—Dear me! It's so hard to have anything new for Easter!  
HIS DAUGHTER.—I suppose it is, Dad. What a pity you can't leave it all to the milliner, as the rest of us do!

## SOMEWHAT PARADOXICAL.

NEW SUBURBANITE.—I'm afraid that place I've moved to is no great shakes.  
FRIEND.—What's the matter with it?  
NEW SUBURBANITE.—Nearly everybody in the family is down with fever and 'ague.

## AN APOSTATE.

MRS. GOODSOUL.—I am told that some of the persons who are tramping are thoughtful and religious men. Are you a criterion?

SELDUM FEDD (at a venture).—Yes 'm; I used to be an Episcopalian, but seen de error of me ways an' changed over.

EDITOR.—Why don't you want your article on "Advice to Housewives" signed?  
HACK-WRITER.—Because I want my wife to take some of the advice herself.

THERE SEEM to be two classes of people in the rush line of life: those whose only business is pleasure, and those whose only pleasure is business.

WHEN WOMEN really get into politics we shall hear less of this talk about the "plain people."



## IN THE ARID DISTRICT.

KANSAS DRUGGIST.—I can't sell you any whiskey without a prescription, Stranger.

COLONEL DREYER (a visitor from Kentucky).—I prepared for that, sah, when I set out for this benighted country;—I had a prescription tattooed on my arm.

DRUGGIST.—That's all right, then! Come in and I'll fill you.

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DISILLUSION.

UNFORTUNATELY faring,  
At the gay show I sat,  
Behind a lady wearing  
A great Gainsborough hat.

Awile I gazed upon it,  
Then said, with suave address,  
"Will you remove your bonnet?"  
She smiled and answered "Yes."

I saw what they were playing,  
I saw the stage, and then  
I really felt like saying  
"Please put it on again!"

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FOR APPEARANCE SAKE.

MISTRESS. — I saw two policemen sitting in the kitchen with you last  
night, Bridget.

BRIDGET. — Well, Ma'am, yez would n't hov an unmarried lady be  
sittin' alone with only wan policeman, would yez? The other wan wuz a  
chapron.

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VALUABLE TROPHIES.

PRUVN (*at Ryder's bachelor quarters*).—What are all these dirty cloth bags Ryder has displayed so conspicuously about his room?

BOND.—Why, they are trophies of the chase! They say Ryder has been in at the death at the Long Island hunts at least a dozen times.

HIS ADVICE.

"If," said the Kohack Philosopher, who was in a particularly sarcastic mood, replying to the interrogation of a hypochondriacal neighbor, "you are afflicted, as you say, with a full feelin' after eatin', a tepid liver, dots and webs before the sight, indecision, a nameless dread, buzzin' in your ears, a gray and pusillanimous taste in your mouth, and have already taken eighteen kinds of patent medicines, three varieties of pills, besides numberless powders and plasters, and have tried the faith cure, water cure, and have dieted regularly, my honest advice to you is to pay up your debts in full, say 'Good-by, vain world!' in a voice suitable for declamatory purposes, and die without foolin' around about it any longer. And it looks to me a good deal as if it would have been money in your pocket if you had never been born, in the first place. G' day!"

ANTICIPATING DIFFICULTY.

HIS WIFE.—They say a photographer is to establish a place here soon.

THE SUBURBANITE.—How can he expect people who live here to look pleasant?

"HOW BEAUTIFUL I must be!" reflected the looking-glass; "everybody looks at me and then turns regretfully away, as much as to say, 'I never shall see its like again.'"

IF IT is true that a broad religion is designed for the comfort of people with corns on their consciences, it is equally true that a narrow religion gave them the corns.

IT is hard to live without working. Even some of the folks who are supposed to do it will be found, on investigation, to be working somebody.

MOST MEN who have an ax to grind nowadays, don't even want to hold it against the stone themselves.

SOME PEOPLE regard a promise as an investment that will bring big returns from little outlay.

IT is not surprising that the man who follows the races should be behind.



WILD-EYED PARTY *fantasy*.—Pwhat 's th' matter wid yez, anyway? be yez deaf? Here Oi've been chasin' yez for two blocks t' git dis knife sharpened, and yez niver let on yez heerd me!

ANOTHER TRAGEDY.



WILD-EYED PARTY. — Hi! Hi! Ha! Ha! Weow! Weow!



FIRST PEDESTRIAN.—Police! Police!



SECOND PEDESTRIAN (*as he dives out of the way*).—Help! Help!



OTHER PEDESTRIANS.—Shoot her! Stop her! She 's runnin' amuck!

in it for both his capacious stomach and his wonderful lungs.

MUSIC MAY be considered classical when it commands praise from people whom it bores.

THE DEAD-BEAT does no harm; but we can't say as much for the live one.

A FEW MEN have lived who have actually made the world better; most men have been content to submit plans and specifications, and let it go at that.

IT is a mistake to suppose that when you have made a good start you will be carried along by your own momentum.

THEIR REASONS.

THE SAGE (*inquiringly*).—Why go you to brave the terrors of life and work in the Klondike?

FIRST MAN.—Because I have no wife; therefore I go.

THE SAGE (*to next man*).—Ditto, my friend?

SECOND MAN.—Because I have a wife; therefore go I.

THE SAGE.—Verily, it is a darned poor rule that won't work both ways!

THEY DID.

HE.—You look sweet enough to kiss.

SHE.—Actions speak louder than words.

LOVE is frequently the only folly of a wise man, and quite as often the only wisdom of a fool.

MANY A man ruins himself trying to live up to his reputation.

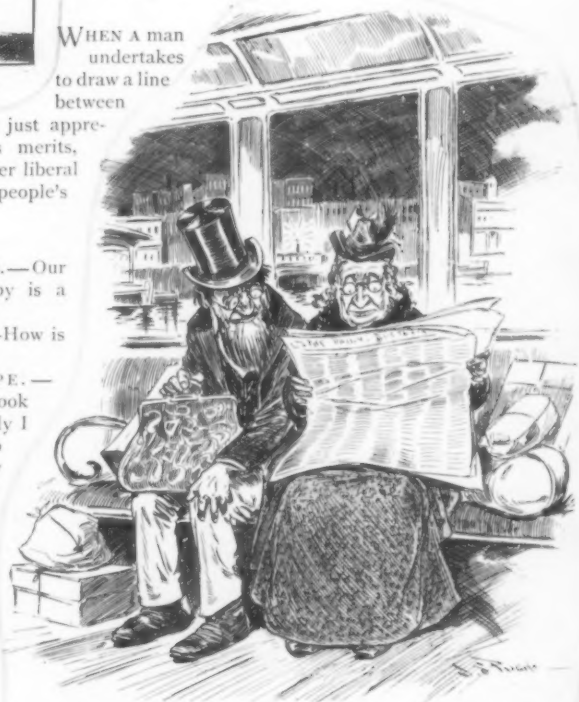
WHEN A man undertakes to draw a line between

flattery and a just appreciation of his merits, he takes a rather liberal view of other people's sincerity.

PARKSLOPE.—Our new baby is a puzzle to me.

HEIGHTS.—How is that?

PARKSLOPE.—Whenever I look at his little body I can not help wondering how there is space



SURPRISING.

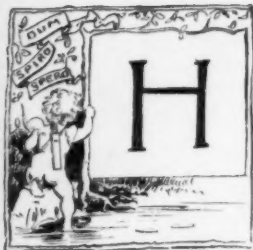
"Well!" exclaimed Mrs. Spriggins; "what'll them society folks be up to next? This paper says Mrs. Brown-Jones has been tabooed in the Four Hundred."

"What does it mean, Maria?" asked Mr. Spriggins.

"As if you did n't know! Don't you remember that tabooed man we see in the museum? An' to think of a woman havin' her skin all pattered up that way!"

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# THE BALLADE OF GOOD-NIGHT.

HER VIOLETS distill upon the air  
The fragrant essence of their rare bouquet,  
A starveling owl hoots at the scudding hare,  
And care dies on the breast of fallen day:  
Fair Dian rises o'er the eastern way  
And flecks the frost brigade with silvern light,  
And we two lean upon the gate and say—  
"Good-night!" "And must you go? Good-  
night!" "Good-night!"

We chat awhile and thoughtfully compare  
The merits of the actors in the play.  
"If I'd been him, I'd kissed her, I declare!"  
She says, "when she so sweetly bade him stay!"  
"And yet all ended well," I do essay;  
And, as we move, our aimless hands unite,  
And to these magic words our pulses sway—  
"Good-night!" "And must you go? Good-night!"  
"Good-night!"

Through twenty times "Good-night," we linger there,  
Love's fingers o'er our heartstrings gently stray;  
She gives to me the rose that crowns her hair,  
The pressure of her hands her thoughts convey!  
"Come, come, young man!" her father loud doth bray;  
"Tis time young people were a-bed, and right!"  
The window bangs! We start back in dismay—  
"Good-night!" "And must you go? Good-night!" "Good-night!"

## L'ENVOY.

A stolen kiss, a softly whispered "Yea!"  
She will be mine, mine own—Ah! lucky wight!  
And then once more we chant that virelay—  
"Good-night!" "And must you go? Good-night!" "Good-night!"

Harold McGrath.

## NOT PARALLEL CASES.

SHE.—You've heard of the man who fell overboard, and his gold dragged him down, have n't you?

HE.—Oh, yes! and of the other who got in the swim, and his gold buoyed him up.

THE PAINS some people take to appear well are as nothing to those they give other people.



## LONDON'S DEGENERATION.

CHOLLY.—No; I don't think I shall go to Lunnion next yeah.  
CHAPPIE.—Why not, deah boy?  
CHOLLY.—It's getting too blawsted American.

## TOO TRUE.

HAROLD.—What is meant by a "death-bed confession," Father?  
PAPA.—When a salesman warns a purchaser of the dangers that lurk in a folding-bed.

THE POLITICIAN'S MOTTO—Bolt not, lest some day you may be bolted.



## DESTINED TO LEARN SOMETHING.

TOMMY.—Father says folks what play cards allus get into trouble.  
JOHNNY.—Oh! I don't believe that!





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CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

A SUGGESTED NEW "SOCIETY." THE WRITER of the following letter is so thoroughly in earnest that we hesitate to tell him how old-fashioned he is. Perhaps the sight of his letter in cold type will show him that he is not up with the times. We do not believe that any one of those who now revel in being properly attested "Descendants" will have anything but scorn for his suggestion:

"EDITOR OF PUCK—SIR:—As a plain United States business man, with a growing family, I want to call your attention to a certain matter which I think something ought to be done about. You must have noticed what a great number of societies have been formed in the last few years by people who are Descendants of this, that or the other. We have 'Sons' and 'Daughters' of pretty nearly everything that can be dug out of the past, everything on which may be hung a boast of illustrious descent. I am looking every day for the formation of a 'Society of Third Cousins of Defeated Candidates for Aldermen.' Now, these societies are all good as far as they go. Thoughtless folks scoff at them more or less, it is true, and I will confess that some of them do occasionally provoke mirth. The 'Daughters of the American Revolution,' for example, lately gave an exhibition of machine politics that would have horrified the toughest ward-heeler that ever packed a primary; and you will also recall the ridiculous goings-on of a Miss Dempsey who had herself crowned Queen of something or other awhile ago. You have read, too, of the new 'Order of the Crown,' and you must have been as surprised as I was to note how many Princesses we have with us. For, curiously enough, this new society is as yet composed only of women. Curiously enough, too, these Descendants of royalty are found only among people who have a great deal of

money. And, curiously enough, again, their ancestry seems to run back solely to Kings. As to the share of Queens in the matter, their statements of pedigree are reticent.

"Now there is such an epidemic of these societies, and we are so taken up with them, that it has seemed to me we might be forgetting another matter of importance. In fact, I am quite sure that this is the case with many of the women who mostly make up the societies. Their time and energies seem to be chiefly exercised in playing the rôle of Descendant with what they consider proper dignity. Of course the desire to be a Descendant is praiseworthy, but I claim that these women are apt to be so wholly engrossed with the idea as to forget that the Almighty put them here for any other purpose. They hold conventions and drink tea and make a good deal of fuss generally; but, somehow, there is a stale flavor of day-before-yesterday about it all. They don't keep a tight enough grip on the fact that creation has n't stopped; that they are going to have Descendants of their own, and that those Descendants will themselves want Ancestors worth dressing up for and bickering about.

"Therefore I believe we might be thinking a little less about whose Descendants we are and a little more about what sort of Ancestors we are going to be. We ought to furnish the best quality of Ancestor we can to our own Descendants. This will please them and will also encourage them to be still better Ancestors than we shall be, for the sake of their Descendants.

"I have not had much time, myself, to be a Descendant, and probably I am too old to learn. I did think of buying one of those fine, red books that show you just what King you have come down from, whether your name is Smith or de Vere; but they cost \$17.00, and I thought I saw where I could spend the money on my own Descendants to better advantage. In truth, I have been content with the comforting certainty that I must have had as many Ancestors as any one else, and with the reflection that there was probably a fair proportion of decent people mixed in with the reprobates, with perhaps even a King mingling in here and there, kind of casual-like. But I have given considerable time to what will possibly seem to most of these Descendant people like an original line of thought. That is, I have busied myself in trying to be an Ancestor that my Descendants would not be ashamed of, and the idea has occurred to me that there may be enough other people of the same mind to make up one of these societies. When you come to think about it there is n't the least reason why we should n't be turning out just as good an article of Ancestor to-day as they did five hundred years ago, common opinion to the contrary notwithstanding. Do you like the idea? If so, I am ready to organize, with your help, a new society, something with a catchy title, like 'S. A. A. W. H.,' that is, 'Society of American Ancestors Worth Having.' Trusting that you will, at least, present the matter to your readers, even though you don't see your way clear to cooperating with me, I am,

Hopefully yours,

"HIRAM COLDFAX."

WHO CAN GIVE THE BEST TITLE?



SPANISH STATESMAN.—I have good news. I understand that some New York capitalists are talking of forming a syndicate to purchase Cuba.

SECOND SPANISH STATESMAN.—Well, it is questionable whether that is good news or not!

SPANISH STATESMAN.—Why so?

SECOND SPANISH STATESMAN.—Why, who—er—do they intend to buy it of—us or the Insurgents?

NO ESCAPE.

MRS. COBWIGGER.—What's the advantage of this smokeless powder the Government is buying?

COBWIGGER.—The advantage, my dear, would be that after the first volley our men could see which way the Spaniards were running.

A PROVERB VERIFIED.

When maidens don't know how to bike  
You will agree to this:  
For him who teaches, it's a case  
Where ignorance is bliss.

A LOSS OF ENERGY.

FIRST POPULIST.—I dunno as it does our party any good to hold political meetin's.

SECOND POPULIST.—Why not?

FIRST POPULIST.—Well, at a meetin' only one of us talks politics at a time; an' when we ain't holdin' meetin's we kin all talk politics.

WHEN SOME people are building up a reputation they are inclined to use inferior material in places where they think it won't show.

VERY FREQUENTLY, after a man has expressed himself, he wishes he had been patient enough to take a slow freight.



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COULD N'T SLEEP.

EMPLOYER.—The policeman on this beat reports that he saw somebody walking about inside this building last night.

NIGHT WATCHMAN.—Oh! that was only me;—I drank some very strong coffee before coming on duty, and could n't—er—that is—h'm—yes.

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# SOME APOLOGIES FOR CRIME.



THE PEOPLE who attend to such matters tell us that there were more than ten thousand murders committed in this country last year. That has nothing to do with what follows: it is only stated as a sort of introduction.

Those who rail at criminals evidently look at one side of the case only—that of the persons who suffer from depredations and violence. They never pause to consider what apologies there may be for what we call crime. The ladies and gentlemen who devote their time to soothing the torments of prison life, and the general public that is impulsive and warm-hearted, know that the criminal is more to be pitied than condemned, and the apologies for crime by them set forth should be considered by the people who hold the crude theory that every infraction of law should be punished.

"A lovely mustache," or "A beautiful tenor voice." As may be imagined, this apology prevails most in Dorcas societies, Shakspeare and Browning clubs, and in the happy localities where women vote. The coarse male jury has not been brought to see what bearing the voice and mustache have on stealing from the bank.

The jury of men must be approached in other ways. "His father was an old soldier;" or, "He was the first settler in Plunkville." This excuses anything short of manslaughter, and for that crime reduces the punishment to five years. "One of the first families," in the County or State works very well, except in those localities where all the families are first. It must be a pretty hard-hearted jurymen who will not acknowledge that old soldiers, old settlers and members of first families have rights superior to common people.

"Has four lovely children." This plea is not particularly strong unless the children stray into court and cry when pinched by the lawyer. If the court objects to the children crying, the prisoner gets a new trial.

"First offence"—also the first time Mr. X was hit on the head with a lead pipe, but it hurt just as bad. It is taken as a self-evident fact that if the criminal is punished for his first offence he will immediately repeat it; whereas, if he is not punished, he will never do so any more.

"Poor boy! He did n't know what he was doing." The culprit is in possession of all his senses, was never known to show any lack of mental strength; but when he commits a forgery, levants with his employer's money or loots a bank, he did n't know what he was doing. And how are you going to prove that he did know what he was doing? So, there, now!

"He was engaged to be married." Very efficacious, especially if his betrothed visits him in jail. She is then referred to as "that brave girl," "heroic woman," and "noble creature." Much used in small towns, and sometimes in cities. Needs the cooperation of the press to point out what will happen to the heroic girl if the law prevents her from marrying a felon. Maiden ladies especially strong on this plea; married ladies not so strong—rather inclining to the opinion that she is better off.

"He was always good to his mother." This justifies any crime on the calendar. The prisoner began life as a corner-lounger, took his first degree as a pickpocket shortly after his twelfth year, became an expert assault-and-battery man before he attained his majority, never worked a month in his life; and now, gentlemen, he stands before you accused of homicide, and I have but one apology to offer—he was always good to his mother! Often, after sand-bagging a man and robbing



DOUBLE-BARRELED.

PARK.—That old chap with the high hat is Prof. Jenkins, the famous Medico-legal expert. He's both a lawyer and a doctor.  
TILFORD.—H'm! Another case of "Your money or your life!"

him, he has returned home and carried up the coal for his mother. On

more than one occasion he has filched five or ten dollars from one of his brothers who worked, and then given a dollar to his mother. He shared with her the last penny she earned; and when his father ordered him out of the house for a miserable loafer he clung to her side. The man who lies in the grave also had a mother, as well as a wife and children; but let that pass. I have proven that the prisoner was always good to his mother, and I ask you whether it is right to deprive him of her care? Verdict, manslaughter in the third degree—two years.

Doubtless other apologies will occur to the humane reader, but these, we believe, are the chief. They show that the bloodhounds of the law are in a fair way of being balked at every point and that the Society for Excusing Crime has branches in every community.

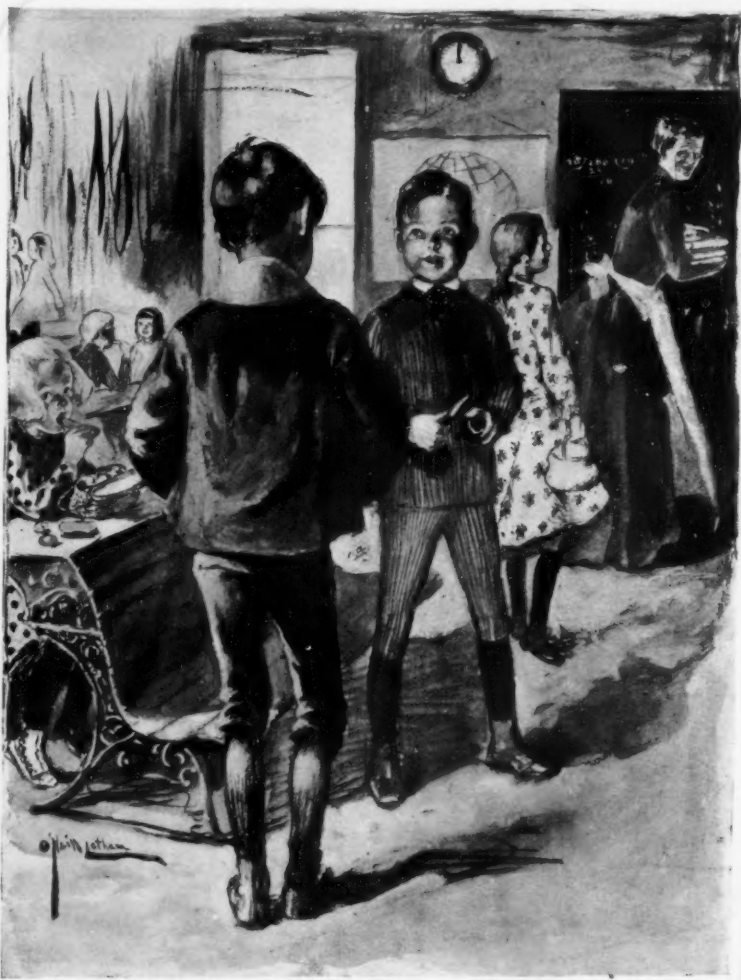
Sidney.

MR. NEWTIED (*wrestling with bread*).—I thought you had a cooking-school diploma.

MRS. NEWTIED (*tearfully*).—That is for cake. I never took the bread course.

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A PAINFUL POSSIBILITY.

TOMMY.—Teacher says a camel has four stomachs—  
JOHNNY.—Gee! If it eats too much it must have four stomachaches all at once.

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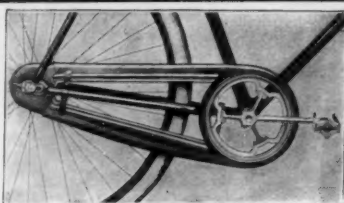
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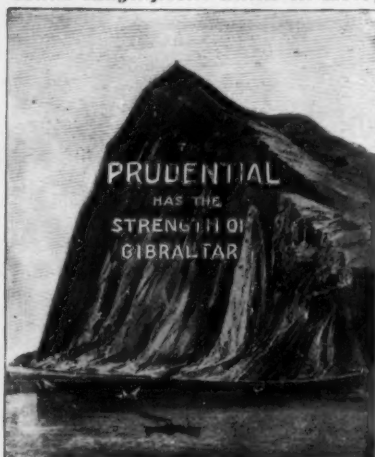
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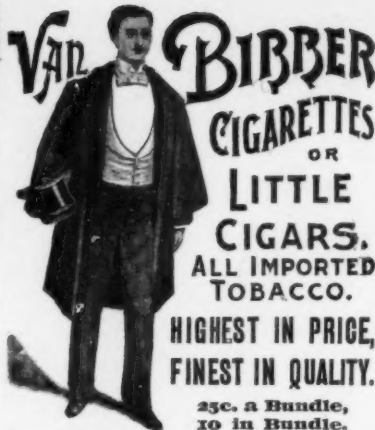
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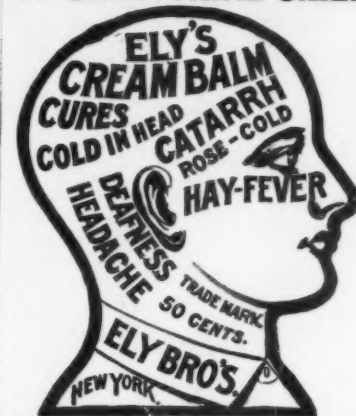
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